Applications for recruitment to Public Service.

11. ✱ **MR. K. P. KOCHUKORA THARAKAN** (*Kunnatnad cum Karur*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether, in the application for recruitment to public service, there is provision for the caste and the section of the caste to which the applicant belongs being shown separately; and

(*b*) if so, whether such application should be accompanied by any certificate attesting the statement of the applicant?

DR. G. D. NOKES: (*a*) The prescribed application forms (Nos. 9 and 10 for candidates for the Intermediate and Lower Divisions) contain in item 10 the words "Community and sub-division (if any)" with space for the candidate to fill in the requisite particulars (see pages 150 and 155 of the Travancore Service Recruitment Manual). In the instructions to applicants in the Intermediate Division, which form part of the forms, a candidate who is a member of a backward part of a community is directed to state his sub-division of that community (ibid. page 152). In the instructions to applicants in the Lower Division, a candidate who is a member of a community which comprises various sub-divisions is directed to state first the recognised community and then the sub-division (ibid, page 158).

(*b*) No. [See rule 47 of the Public Service Recruitment Rules; (ibid. page 40).]

MR. K. P. KOCHUKORA THARAKAN: On a point of order, Sir. ഞങ്ങൾക്ക് സപ്ലൈ ചെയ്യാത്ത ബുക്കുകളെ റഫറൻസിനുവേണ്ടി കോട്ട് ചെയ്യുന്നതു ശരിയാണോ?

DR. G. D. NOKES: I understad the volume is available in the Legislative Library.

MR. KOTTALIL P. ABRAHAM: With regard to part (*b*) of the answer, is there any safeguard to look to the interests of the applicants from the backward part of a community?

DR. G. D. NOKES: There are safe-guards.

MR. KOTTALIL P. ABRAHAM: Who is the officer that is empowered to exercise that safeguard?

DR. G. D. NOKES: The Public Service Commissioner.

Appointments made by the Public Service Commissioner from among "the other Hindus."

12. ✱**MR. KAVIYOOR K. K. KOCHUKUNJU** (*Nominated*): Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a statement, by caste, of those who have been appointed till now from among "other Hindus" to the higher, intermediate and lower divisions of the public service, by the Public Service Commissioner?

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